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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJ: YAMANI REMAINS UNCONVINCED ON CONSUMER COOPERATION

REF: JIDDA 3382

1. WHEN I HANDED YAMANI COPY OF CASEY JUNE 21 SPEECH, EXPLAINED THAT UNDER SECRETARY'S REMARKS PUT SOME MORE FLESH ON OBJECTIVES OF CONSUMER COOPERATION. HE WOULD NOTE THAT STRESS CONTINUED ON NEED FOR CONSUMER COUNTRY-- PRODUCER COUNTRY COOPERATION, AVOIDANCE OF CONFRONTATION, COLLABORATION IN R&D, AND DEVELOPMENT OF ARRANGEMENTS TO MEET EMERGENCIES.

2. YAMANI WAS UNCONVINCED. IF CONSUMERS PERSIST IN EFFORTS TO ORGANIZE, THEN ONE RESULT CERTAINLY WILL BE TO SQUEEZE COMPANIES OUT OF THEIR ROLE AS NEGOTIATORS AND BUFFER BETWEEN PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS. I SAID I DID NOT SEE WHY THIS SHOULD HAPPEN. US FULLY CONVINCED COMPANIES HAVE HIGHLY USEFUL ROLE THEY CAN CONTINUE TO PLAY AND SUCH PURPOSE CAN BE CLEARLY IMPLIED FROM CASEY'S REMARKS. YAMANI DECLARED CONSUMING GOVTS COULD, OF COURSE, CONFIDENTIAL

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DO AS THEY WISH, BUT WHY WAS THERE NEED FOR AN UMBRALLA

"ORGANIZATION"? WHY COULD NOT CONSUMERS COOPERATE INFORM-  
ALLY ON R&D WITHOUT RAISING DOUBTS AND MISGIVINGS IN MINDS  
OF PRODUCERS REGARDING CONSUMER OBJECTIVES? ANYHOW,  
PREPONDERANCE OF POWER IS IN HANDS OF PRODUCERS AND THEY  
WILL USE IT AS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THEIR INTERESTS.  
HE SAID HE WOULD READ SPEECH WITH INTEREST.

3. COMMENT: WE HAZARD GUESS YAMANI MAY WELL UNDERSTAND OUR  
POSITION BUT IS NOT FOR MOMENT GOING TO ALLOW HIMSELF GO ON  
RECORD WITH ANYBODY AS BEING TOLERANT RE CONCEPT OF  
CONSUMERS' GROUPING. WE WOULD ASSUME THAT WHAT YAMANI  
FEARS MOST IS POSSIBILITY OF MONOLITHIC CONSUMER ORGAN-  
IZATION SOME DAY FACING OPEC MEMBERS ACROSS TABLE IN  
PRICE NEGOTIATIONS. EVENTUALLY WE WILL HAVE TO FOLLOW  
THROUGH ON OUR AFFIRMATIONS OF DESIRE FOR COLLABORATION  
(MEANING, WE ASSUME, SOME KIND OF CONTACT) BETWEEN OPEC  
AND OECD.  
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